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For: RESHAPED HUMAN ANTIBODY TO HUMAN INTERLEUKIN-6 RECEPTOR

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 83, at the end of the specification, before the claims, delete the Sequence Listing (pages 84-140) and insert the printed Sequence Listing submitted concurrently herewith, and renumber pages 1-57 of the Sequence Listing submitted concurrently herewith as pages 84-140 of the specification.

IN THE FIGURES:

A proposed drawing correction to Fig. 13 is submitted herewith to correct a typographical error (deletion of "o PV_{LA} + RV_{HE} "). The proposed deletion in Fig. 13 is indicated in the attached drawing in red ink by a red line drawn through the phrase to be deleted.

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